

Ranking of study centres of IGNOU

2760. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering ranking the academic infrastructure and performance of the study centres of IGNOU;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) the details of new courses introduced by the IGNOU during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) As per the information provided by IGNOU, the following new courses have been introduced during the last three years:—

Year 2003-2004

1. Masters Degree in Science in Hospitality Administration
2. Postgraduate Diploma in Geriatric Medicine
3. Postgraduate Diploma in Library Automation and Networking
4. Postgraduate Diploma in Audio Programme Production (Both in English and Hindi)
5. Postgraduate Diploma in Radio Prasaran
6. Postgraduate Certificate Programme for Professional Development of Teachers

Year 2004-2005

1. Integrated Doctoral Programme in Mathematics
2. Integrated Doctoral Programme in Physics
3. M.Com.
4. M.A. (History)
5. M.A. (Political Sciences)

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6. B.A. (Social Work)
7. B.Sc. (Nautical Science)
8. Postgraduate Diploma in Environment and Sustainable Development
9. Postgraduate Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights
10. Diploma in Civil Engineering (for army personnel)
11. Diploma in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering (for army personnel)
12. Postgraduate Certificate in Copy-editing and Proof-reading
13. Postgraduate Certificate in Writing for Television
14. Certificate in Craft and Design (Pottery)

Year 2005-2006

1. Ph. D. (English)
2. Ph. D. (Hindi)
3. Ph. D. (Mathematics)
4. Ph. D. (Physics)
5. M.A. (Economics)
6. M.A. (Public Administration)
7. M.A. (Public Policy) (for IAS Probationers)
8. M.A. (Rural Development)
9. M.A. (Sociology)
10. M.Sc. (Dietetics and Food Service Management)
11. Postgraduate Diploma in Community Cardiology
12. Postgraduate Diploma in Disaster Management
13. Advanced Diploma in Nautical Science
14. Advanced Diploma in Computer Integrated Manufacturing
15. Diploma in Nursing Administration

16. Diploma in Value Added Products from Fruits and Vegetables
17. Diploma in Women Empowerment and Development
18. Certificate in Competency Enhancement of Auxiliary Nurse Midwife and Female Health Workers (FHW)
19. Certificate in Food Safety (Online)
20. Certificate in ICT Applications in Libraries
21. Certificate in Health Care Waste Management
22. Appreciation Course in Environment
23. Awareness Course in IPR
24. Awareness Programme in Dairy Farming for Rural Dairy Farmers.

Facilities in IGNOU Study Centres

2761. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Study Centres of IGNOU do not provide regular and quality facilities to the students;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to improve the quality of Study Centres; and

(c) the details of enrolment in various courses of IGNOU during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b) According to IGNOU, it is not correct to say that their Study Centres do not provide regular and quality facilities to its students. The University has informed that it ensures the basic facilities before setting-up of the Study Centre. The University has as mechanism to collect the feedback from the students. It has a three tier monitoring set-up at the level of Headquarters, Regional Centres and Study Centres supported by a system of giving feedback through its Website. Necessary action is taken based on the feedback received through monitoring feedback systems.

(c) The enrolment in various courses of IGNOU in the admission cycle July 2003-January 2004, July 2004-January 2005 and July 2005-January 2006 are 334415, 366161 and 429542 respectively.